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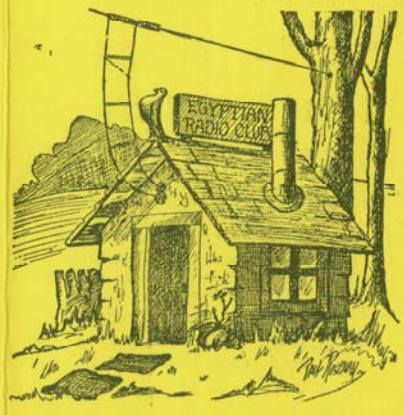

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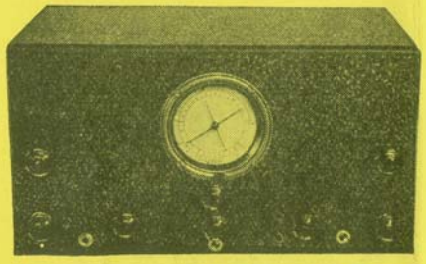

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REAL LEADERSHIP NEEDED IN A. R. R. L.

We all realize that this is a very critical time in amateur radio. It is a crucial time in the affairs of the League. Perhaps all the future of the game depends upon the men we now elect as our directors.

When this grand old League was founded, it was organized by young men who had the courage to fight for what they wanted. Young men in the prime of life who could devote to it boundless energy. These men were not wealthy and did not want positions of leadership in amateur radio just for the financial return it would give them or for the honor, but men who had the interest of amateur radio at heart. Men rich in the ways of radio through daily contact with the game. Men who realized that the future depended upon their success.

When the EGYPTIAN RADIO CLUB nominated W9SG, Lane Eldred, for the position of Director for the Central Division A. R. R. L., we nominated a young man. A man 26 years old. A man who by his daily schedules of operation on the air for the past eleven years is closely familiar with the needs of amateur radio. A man who is not after the job as a hobby or as an honor to add to his list, but a man who will fight for his division. A man who will act as spokesman for us. A man who has had experience both in handling men and acting as representative at various conventions and meetings. And above all a man who has amateur radio at heart.

We must not be fooled by limitless promises and power of wealth. What we need and must have is a man who can and will carry out our wishes. Youth and character is the greatest asset a man can have. With that comes the courage to do as directed, the power to speak and the ability to carry on.

The Egyptian Radio Club does not

advocate the electing of a new comer in amateur ranks for the position of Director, but despite his 26 years W9SG has been in amateur radio from 1922, when he operated under the call of 9AWQ. He has attended the finest schools in the country, Exeter Academy in New Hampshire and the University of Illinois. Graduating from both schools with scholastic and extra circular activities.

We should bind ourselves together and back a man who has had the necessary years of radio experience together with the ambition to fight for the right. A man young enough to carry on the work, and a man, above all else, who has the view of helping the game, and not for the honor the position carried.

This man is Lane Eldred, W9SG of Carrollton, Ill. Vote for him for director of the Central Division A. R. R. L. in the coming election and you will be helping amateur radio.

TO MEMBERS OF THE CENTRAL DIVISION OF THE AMERICAN RADIO RELAY LEAGUE PLATFORM AND VIEW OF CANDIDATE LANE ELDRED, W9SG

Greetings:

First: Above all else a Director should always remember he is elected by members of the division to represent them and their views at the board meetings. Their wishes should be presented and fought for regardless of what might arise. He should not be swayed by any outside influence or personal feelings, by commercial pressure or friendship. A director is merely a spokesman for the division and should act in that capacity.

Second: Having voted and presented the views of his constituents, the director should not only allow, but should insist, that the minutes of the board meetings be made public ver batum and not mere "excerpts" from the meetings. All meetings should be attended by a stenographer and the minutes sworn to by the officers before a notary public. Copies of these minutes should be made available to clubs and other members upon payment of printing and mailing costs.

Third: There should be a direct, immediate, definite action taken by the League towards either widening the present crowded popular bands, namely the 80-40-20 meter bands, or the acquiring of more bands in that immediate vicinity.

Fourth: An attempt should be made to give the phone men a band for phone alone. There they could operate without the QRM of CW. The CW men should likewise have a similar privilege.

Fifth: There should be an honest, comprehensive, constructive study made of expenses of the league with the idea in mind of greater economies. This study should be extended to all departments and should be made public upon completion. This is not to act as a disruption of the League but as means to betterment.

Sixth: A Director should be active in attending conventions, hamfests and all other meetings as far as possible. He should be reasonably free from business connections so that he can do this. He should show no partiality as to location of meetings or what group sponsors them.

Seventh: A Director should be actively on the air each day and should try to work all the men in his division he possibly can. He should not be a "one band" man nor a man who will work only a chosen few.

Eighth: A director should realize the responsibilities of his office and should devote to it the time it requires. He should always attempt to find ways and means of improving amateur radio as a whole and should strive toward the creating of good feeling and fellowship within the League.

Sincerely,
LANE ELDRED, W9SG

LOW DOWN ON OUR CANDIDATE W9SG

Here is the low down on how our honorable President and candidate for Director Lane Eldred became tangled up with the ham radio germ as ye ed knows it. Incidently said ed has known Lane for the past eleven years and knows that he is the right man for the job. It was early in the twenties that a Naval radio operator visited the town of Carrollton, Ill., and brought with him apparatus known as wireless. Radio being a very strange thing, the people all gathered around him to hear the strange noises and then go away still doubting that it was anything other than a strange noise. However it was through this old radio equipment that Lane Eldred first became interested in the game. In playing around with a loose coupler and an old galena detector the future W9SG heard a spark signal which turned out to be 9MC at Roodhouse, Ill.

All ole timers will recall ole 9MC. One visit to 9MC led to others and under the tutelage of that grand old man of radio Eldred finally became an operator and after obtaining a ticket, with the call 9AWQ, he was given one of the four keys to the shack at 9MC. Lane's first transmitter was a spark coil outfit and was used mainly to bridge the distance between his home and that of 9MC. Many were the hours spent with the old spark coil set and pounding brass at that once mighty spark, 9MC.

Then came the change from spark to CW. One of the first to have CW was 9MC. Henly Cain, the owner, became interested only in building the station and left the operating to the two young operators. Soon the signals were heard the world over. Then McMillan went to the pole.

Here W9SG again spent many hours sending press and messages to the men in the north through 9MC. Lane then built an excellent CW transmitter of his own and many friends were made on CW and on loop modulated fone.

In high school and college he was an athlete still holding many records for the low hurdle in and around St. Louis and in the east. After graduating from high school he attended Phillips Exeter Academy at Exeter, N. H. While there he still kept up radio operating and visited many stations in the Boston area. Among them 1YB and the station at Yale. After Exeter he attended and graduated from the University of Illinois. While there he was a member of Sunton the radio club, and many other organizations. He was elected president of Phi Delta Theta, a social fraternity. During the summers he traveled and worked in many different places and types of work. After graduating from school Lane again built a station and received the call W9SG for the home station and W9IJA portable. He is at present employed in a bank in Carrollton.

His present equipment is a National SW 5 receiver. The transmitter is crystal controlled with a pair of tens in the final. Most of the operating is done on 80 meters rag chewing. Many foreigners have been worked on the 20 and 40 meter bands. No operator is too slow and few are able to turn him out so chose your own speed of sending when working him.

He is 26, single, white, a regular guy, and has plenty of time to devote to the job of Director. Vote for him and thereby help sending a man to Hartford that will really direct.

EARL R. LINDER, W9DZG

HOLLOWE'EN BRAWL

All Hamdom is cordially invited to attend one of the Egyptian Radio Club's chronic upheavals, usually known in other ham circles as a Hamfest, on the autumnal evening of Saturday, October 27th at 8 P. M. The affair will be held at the Podunk shack beside the rippling waters of beautiful Lake Podunk and the admission price has been reduced to a mere 75c. Gather up your courage (or that which it takes), oms, and spend another hilarious evening at the Podunk House. W9DZG, veteran brawlmaster of the Egyptianeers, will be both seen and heard in action. Prizes will be awarded to the lucky winners and two strong features of the evening will be the True Story Contest and the CQ Calling Contest. Plenty of beer, eats and fermented juice of the corn, along with considerable Terpsichorean talent, shall insure everyone from ennui. If the managers can come to a successful salary decision with the officials of the Egyptian Athletic Auxiliary, there will be a grudge fight between the famous "Rubber Ball" Fatso and "Battling Brojickey" of ERC fame. The last attendance prize given will be one quart of Podunk Health Water, direct from the Egyptian Wells and a sure cure for glass arm or CQ Longissimus. Don't forget the date and time—CU at the Brawl.

PEACHES PILFERED AT PODUNK

A Fable of how the Forbidden Fruit was picked in the Garden of Podunk.

Now it so happened one day that, through the vast orchards of that wild land of Podunkia where lies the shimmering waters of placid Lake Podunk, a great cry and hue echoed and reverberated, so great that the very boughs of the overladen trees quivvered and trembled in fear. The soil beneath the Egyptian Orchards thumped and quaked to the hammering of numerous feet thereon. It so happened that one certain inmate of Podunkia had caught some of the village ragamuffins in the act of pilfering peaches from the bounteous trees which grow in such profusion around the portals of Podunk. Amid much confusion and a great stir

of innumerable insects who had been reclining among the leaves and peacefully eating of the Egyptian fruit, the enraged Egyptianeer managed to overwhelm the swarming horde of vandals and indeed layed it on to them quite stoutly for several minutes. And so it came to pass that, after the thieves had been routed, the daring young Egyptianeer himself, proceeded to reap the golden harvest of the Podunk Orchards, stripping the fragile limbs of the trees of their milk and honey. One by one, he plucked the precious peaches with unabashed audacity, and carefully placed them in a basket which he had brought for that purpose. And so, the Egyptian Orchards were thus gleaned of their produce and this ham did drive away in his fliver with a smile of deep satisfaction lingering upon his face. It has come to the ears of the snoop that Joe BPN has peach pie at his home for each meal.

HAMTOWN LOWDOWN

W9DZU says that he is afraid he has a permanent job.

W9OEU of Springfield, Ill., has gone into the public address business with what used to be his modulator. No more fone for OEU.

W9TA has an outfit going on eighty meter CW from police headquarters in St. Louis. The signals are extremely loud in East St. Louis.

The East St. Louis, Ill., high school Radio Club now consists of eight licensed hams, W9RCQ, W9RXV, W9NDO, W9PYO, W9SLN, W9SMY and two or three dozen would be hams. The club's call is W9LEV.

Egyptianeer W9RCQ (the polar bear) borrowed Joe BPN's portable receiver (W9BPN demanded the bear's SW3 as security) and fetched it to the mountains of Colorado. RCQ claims altitude record for any receiver owned by a club member having heard sigs from summit of Mr. Evans 14,200 ft. high. Brother Keese, W9KEH was the loudest signal heard from this heighth.

W9DZU (the motorman) is driving a new Ford V8. Prosperity is indeed at hand. Brickey claims that all it takes to get the women is a new car.

We have in our midst the counterpart of the "absent minded professor". W9RCQ while working on his rig, picks up the business end of a soldering iron. Result, severe burns and a bandaged right lunch hook for several weeks.

W9FYZ, the prodigal son, has returned to the portals of Podunkia after being down in Dixie for three months.

NOTICE: All bandits contemplating a robbery of Clairway Inn, of E. St. Louis, beware! Freddy EBX is head guard there and totes an S&W 38 Special.

W9DJC (Haywire Jansen) puts 550 volts on 212D by mistake.

A new subsidiary of the Egyptian Radio Club has been formed. The Egyptian Athletic Club, with that bulging muscled titan, Mr. Brickey, W9DZU, as head instructor. Brickey is looking for fights with other hams and is scrapping under the professional name of "Battling Brojickey".

The Egyptian Gun Club has had several successful meetings the past month at the wilds of Podunkia. W9MC is General of the Podunk Army with W9EKY as Aide De Camp (flunky). About 2000 burned out radio tubes were broken at one meeting of the pop gun boys. The tubes are tossed into Lake Podunk and make excellent targets. Following are members of the Podunk Army, W9MC, W9BPN, W9EKY, W9DZG, W9DZU, W9KIM, and W9RVA—also W9RCQ. See very little of the world, enlist in the Podunk Army.

W9FTA finally caught up with a job. He puts in 5 gallons and asks "Hows your oil".

W9LIV and W9OIU, Mr. and Mrs. Harold McMasters of Taylorville, Ill., are the proud possessors of a cute little new junior op. The lad's initials are H. A. M., which shows the good taste Mammy and Pappy McMasters used in selecting names.

Harry Price, W9GUQ is back from the Naval Reserve cruise. Watch out for lots of QRM on 80 and 40.

The Egyptianeers made a whirlwind campaign tour through central Illinois, Sunday, September 23rd. W9SG, our honorable President and nominee for the office of Director of the Central Division, was a member of the party and addressed the amateurs of Decatur who had gathered at the home of W9LGW for the occasion. Visits were made at Taylorville to the homes of W9LIV and W9OIU. In Decatur, old friendships were renewed with W9GDM and W9LGW and new ones made with W9JTD, W9SMD, W9EMN, W9SIJ, W9LZB, W9NFL. A number of hams were visited in Springfield including W9LOK and that jolly old ex-member of the ERC Robert Goddell who is now living in the Illinois State Capitol. Jacksonville was reached in the early evening and the gang immediately hied themselves to Room 13, Crampton Hall of Illinois College, where none other than that premier DX man, W9KEH, Joe Keese, is housed for the college term. KEH escorted our party to the home of W9QI, a real ole timer, where an enjoyable visit was had by all.

The latest enlistment in the ranks of the Egyptianeers is W9SOI, George Ihle, of the Gordon Radio Co., in St. Louis.

Some hot dope via W8IOR runs as follows: W8QT has a new mast up working fb, his sigs sure sound great on the air again. W8BGY gets in once in a while for a little tfc, W8DYH didn't call on South Haven Bunch what's matter, W8JZD still plugging away, W8EGX Army NCS going to make it interesting for W8IOR and W8DWB on drill from now on, W8CPY must have all weights off his bug by sound of it, better bolt her down OM, W8GRN rebuilding—hopes to work two more WAC's, W8CPH in Chicago working for Hank Ford. W8GUC busy man these days getting the new AARS system going.

W8DWB on again regular and going at things strong again, W8EGI peeps out once in a while, W8VG got out on the ether with his whistle, W8FTW acting as SCM while Ken on a vacation, W8UD must come down on CW now and then for his tfc, W8LMP must have automatic CQ caller for that fone, W9OMO blasted forth and QSOed an 8 the other nite, W8AAF perks out again now after being off most of the summer, W8EYA also beginning to burst forth now that the season is opening.

It is rumored that the Snoop has discovered a way to make BCL's enjoy key clicks. If you will send $5.00 cash to Podunk News you will be sent full details of this marvelous new discovery.

A new dandy little ham sheet QRZ was received by ye ed. Fifty cents a year to all hams.

W9FTA is establishing residence on the East side in the Central Division so that he can cast a vote for W9SG for director.

Has anyone seen W9OWD? Seems as if Griffiths likes the Southwest from the way the "wish you were here cards" are pouring in on ye ed from various points in Oklahoma from the douty Lieutenant.

It has been a long time since W9BEU has received a QSL card. Will some kind hearted ham send him one.

By careful calculation the statisticians of the ERC have figured that the slow moving W9BPN will have his transmitter completed and on the air about the time of the next total eclipse of the sun which will occur some decades in the future.

That master chef and expert mixer of delectable condiments, W9FYZ, Plug Pluff, has returned from exile in Memphis, Tenn., and taken over his old job as editor of Podunk News, and master cook by appointment to the vast Podunk Kitchens.

W9GIN the big meter man of the middle west is still commuting between Kansas City and the home town of East St. Louis.

W9RXV has classy QSL cards, is a member of the ARRL and has a good operating shack. Now all he needs is a transmitter.

Wat Woodriver ham had his transmitter on Forty and was listening on 80 and wondered why he couldn't get out —ask W9RZT.

We hear rumors of the R. I. visiting Woodriver in the past and giving the public address men and the bootleggers a scare.

W9DJG enjoys his sleep during a regular Qso—he went to sleep on W9RVT during a recent Qso.

8AAJ is working for Kresge in Milwaukee at present and enjoys the call of W9SOY during his sojourn in that fair city.

W9CTS is going in strong for amateur talking movies—his outfit is for sale.

W9LGT and W9SMF helped W9ICN erect a new mast the other Sunday.

Podunk News congratulates W9ILH on being the second woman RM in the ARRL.

W9SMF is a real five meter man—he is now using it and getting results using wired wireless.

W9NDK hasn't been heard on the air for a long time watsa matter? YLS?

W9LZF is on the air now and then—mostly then.

Where is W9MNB?

W9DZG sure likes the furniture business.

W6KGT and W9DLE visited W9DJG the other day.

W9KIF is building a new rack and panel job.

W9PJJ hasn't been heard or seen lately—how come?

W9NN is head man for General Household Utilities—auto speaker Dept. —fb om.

W8IOR is heard every day at noon on 80.

Wat well known ham had to sneak out of a hotel via fire escape and rear window because Lady Luck frowned on him during a game of galloping dominos?

W9NDA is in California.

Harry Stine, 9BSQ sez ERC hamfests are hot stuff.

W9GDM is rebuilding a la Collins style.

W9OIU is a real X yl ham op.

The Captain of the CCC camp near Carrollton is an old timer, 9ART, sez he is going to try to come back.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION FREE
Yours for the reading.

Sani-Flush, a commercial product, used for cleaning dirty toilets, will quickly remove the corroding from copper tubing.

All types and makes of tubes will last longer if the rated filament and plate voltages are not exceeded. (Exclusive PODUNK NEWS scoop).

A burned out or broken meter should be removed from the circuit. It is misleading and will cause you to think something is wrong with your circuit.

Dust out your transmitter and receiver every day. Fine dust particles cause wear and tear on variable condenser bearings and tube pins.

Word your transmissions so that letters having the fewest number of dots and dashes will be used the most. It requires three times the amount of power to transmit the letter T than it does to send the letter E. This brainy procedure will be reflected in your monthly light bill.

If lightning strikes the transmitting antenna it will be necessary to rebuild the whole transmitter.

Here is an excellent set of cases wherein valuable advice and assistance was given by the technical committee of the EGYPTIAN RADIO CLUB. W9RCQ of East St. Louis, Ill., could not get a 210 tube in his buffer stage to light. The ERC committee was called in and after checking the filament supply and wiring to the tube terminals and finding it OK, it was decided that the filament of the ten was burned out. W9LGT of Alton, Ill., could not draw sparks from the tank of his final stage. The committee discovered that Doc was using a small piece of bakelite rod that he had mistaken for a pencil. The committee gave him a lead pencil and his trouble was solved.

Neon glow lamps are an excellent RF indicating device.

It is with deep regret that Podunk News records the death of Vernon Sorrells, W9SLX, who died Thursday, Sept. 27th, 1934, from injuries received when he fell from a tree in which he was attempting to erect a transmitting antenna at his home, 1757 North 46th St., East St. Louis, Ill. Sorrells was a very active member of the Egyptian Radio Club and took a keen interest in all club matters. His passing leaves a void in our ranks that cannot be filled.

FAVORITE SAYINGS: HEARD IN A CERTAIN RADIO STORE IN ST. LOUIS

Walter Ashe: "Business is bad".

Frank Ecoff: "What do you expect for fifty cents?".

George Bidwell: "No fooling that's a good buy."

Little Vic, the fan salesman: "I worked two VK's and one ZL last nite".

Unk Roy Goldman, W9NDF: "I don't like the attitude you fellows take".

W9TA Sarg Fisher: "Bong Bong dit dit Bong Bong".

W9NBV Shovel Hodge: "Boy such prices".

W9DZG: "I'll pay my rent next week".

W9BPN (and a lot more): "No, I don't want to buy anything, just thought I would drop in and say hello to the boys".

CAN YOU IMAGINE?

W9ZK off frequency?

W9DZU in a fit of laughter?

W9BLL joining the W. C. T. U.?

What it would sound like to hear W5HH calling W900?

How much money you would have if you had not fooled with ham radio?

W9KIT using standard English on the air?

W9NDB talking too much?

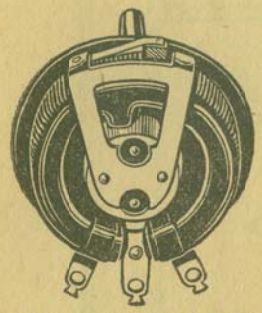
W3CXL joining the Naval reserves?

Joe BPN staying awake all night?

PODUNK NEWS coming out on time each month?

NAA joining the AARS?

Vitreous Enameled Power Rheostats



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Sept. 4, 1934,
Alton, Ill.

My dear Mr. Linder:

Just read last issue of PODUNK NEWS. It's good hot stuff, especially the YL confession. Please print her name in the next issue. I also am a Y. L. and am curious.

The fellow with the V8 Ford is the only one I have been popular with, but since he got the Ford, he has a far away look in his eyes. I never had the Podunk YL's luck to be popular. Does she belong to ur club? If she does, may I join too? What are the dues? I want to be popular also.

Sure hope ur not one of those fellows who are to stingy to get a new car. I'm sure you are not. Please let me know in Podunk News if I can join ur club. I am a ham and am interested in radio. How can one become popular? You sure ought to know! Hi Hi. My initials are D. J. and I live within 50 miles from the ERC. As I don't know ur address, I'm having a girl friend of mine bring it to you. Please don't publish my name or the color of my eyes and hair as I don't want to be embarassed. Lots of my friends read Podunkia, when they can get it. I have a sked with W9IKR and must go now.

An unpopular YL, D. J.

P. S. Please! Oh-ooo-oo-o, Mr. Linder, please make me popular. I do so want to know people. As yet, you are the only one I know well.

Your adoring operator, D. J.

P. S. No. 2. As I have no way to get to the ERC, pse let me know about that too.

Editor's Note: Above letter was stuck in DZG's door one stormy night. Will the writer please identify herself.

East St. Louis, Ill.
October 8, 1934.

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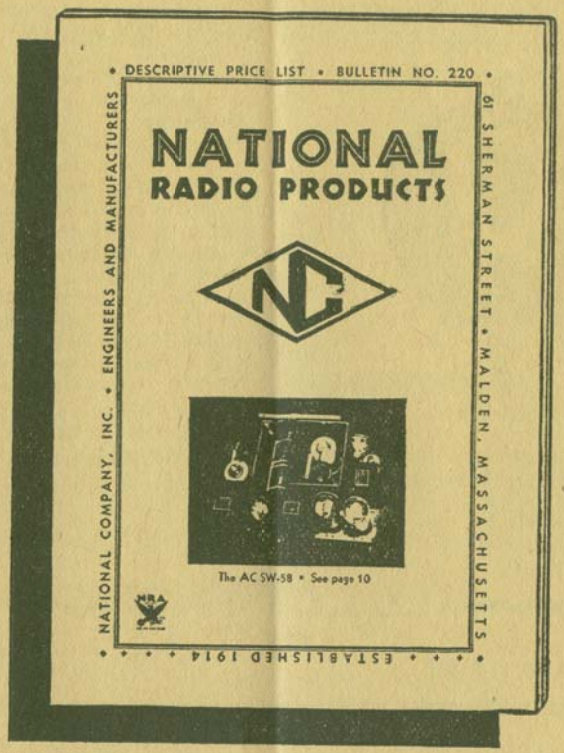
Sincerely yours,
W9RCQ, President.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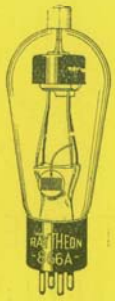

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